

The Dearborn Rotary X-Ray

April 8, 2021

Jim Ives, Editor



**Future Meeting
Duty Roster
04-15-21**

**Greeter
?**

**Invocation
Kathy Kalil**

**50/50
?**

**X-Ray Editor
David Anderson**

Future Meetings

**4-15-21
Kim Cross, President, Friends for
Animals of Metro Detroit**

**4-22-21
Paul Talpos, Assistant Chief
Curator,**

**4-29-21
Sisson Scholarship Winner**

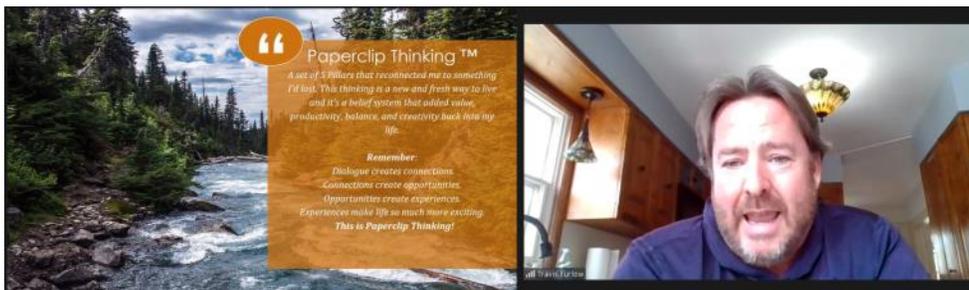
**5-4 & 5 -21
District 6400 Virtual Conference**

**5-6-21
Tim Kiska, Producer of the Detroit
History Podcast, "When Television
Was Local "**

Today's Meeting



Our Zoomers Thursday. We had 20 members, and 4 guests. Please follow the [link](#) to the recording of the meeting.



Past & Future Rotarian Travis Furlow was our speaker today.

EVERY

 ROTARIAN
 EVERY
 YEAR



The Rotary Foundation Giving—Every Rotarian Every Year

Rotarians have an obligation to support one of the finest charitable organizations in the world; The Rotary Foundation. This foundation makes it possible for our club to participate in receiving matching grant funds for our next year's Rotary projects. This is made possible because of your contributions to The Rotary Foundation (Every Rotarian Every Year Giving). All contributions received before June 2021 will be credited to this year's giving. Our goal for the 2020-21 Rotary year is \$7,000, of which we have to date raised \$3,820. Those contributing at least \$100 this year are:

PP Margaret Blohm, Janice Gilliland, PP Lee Hollmann, CDG Jim Ives, Kathy Kalil, Angie Linder, Al Martin, PP Roger Miller, PP Eric Rader

If interested in contributing to The Rotary Foundation, please fill out [this form](#) and send to Jim Thorpe.

Due to privacy rules at Rotary International, we no longer know who has contributed to the Foundation. With that said, if you have submitted money to The Rotary Foundation in excess of \$100 and would like to be recognized here, please let Jim Ives know of your contribution.



Announcements

- Need X-Ray meeting minute writers. Promise maximum writing is only once every six weeks. Can volunteer for even once a quarter or year. Please contact David Anderson.
 - Janice Gilliland is looking for greeters and invocation givers.
- Please let her know if you're willing to serve. Sign-up sheets are being passed at the meetings to be a greeter, invocation giver, or run the 50/50 raffle for a particular date. Please volunteer.

The District 6400 Conference is going virtual!

As your District Governor, I have made this decision in compliance with Rotary International's advisory to take all meetings virtual though June 30th of this year. I know so many of us were looking forward to getting together – no one was more excited for an in-person event than Captain Rotary!

However, in the face of the many realities confronting us with the global COVID-19 pandemic, we need to do whatever we can to mitigate the virus's spread. As a humanitarian organization, it is our obligation to protect our members, their families, our communities, and the world by doing our part to ensure safety in our gathering choices. By following this advisory, we will be contributing to mitigating the pandemic, thus contributing to our future ability to be able to meet in-person and to carry out the incredible mission of Rotary International without the current restrictions limiting the means by which we are able to do so.

As a health care professional, I learn everyday about not only the illness of COVID-19, but of the long-range effects and future illness that may develop when one is exposed to it. No amount of fun can be worth lost lives or chronic illness. When this pandemic began, none of us could have realized how very serious it could be or had any idea of how long this virus's impacts on our daily lives would last.

I thank everyone on the District Conference committee who worked tirelessly registering people, planning and dedicating time and energy into the orchestration of what we hoped would be a tremendous celebration in the form of in-person fellowship. It was a labor of love, and I want them all to know how very much I appreciate their efforts. Over the last year, Rotary has been tested, as we all have. Rotarians have been called on to be adaptable and creative. Our virtual conference will be another opportunity to rise to that challenge and share all that Rotary accomplishes in our clubs and the fellowship we share for each other.

Debbie and I can't wait to celebrate with as many of you as possible during our virtual conference and help us to celebrate the 2020-21 Rotary Year, where I have been honored to serve as District Governor. The virtual conference will be Tuesday, May 4th and Wednesday, May 5th.

We're very excited about our great program! Our virtual conference will have many of the same elements of an in-person gathering! We'll be celebrating our club's many accomplishments and presenting awards to both clubs and individual Rotarians. Our speakers will include Chief Giima LaForme, the elected Chief of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) in Ontario; Windsor-Roseland Rotarian and Rotary International President-Nominee Jennifer Jones; DG Noel will review the 2020-21 Rotary year, and DGE Aruna will look ahead to 2021-22!

Please click [here](#) to register, even though you may have registered for the in person conference..

Meeting Notes

Club President Colleen Nieman led today's meeting, which was on-line via Zoom. Socializing was ongoing at 11:29 AM with 18 participants and a discussion of our warm weather is rivaling Florida's, a little singing - "You are the sunshine of my life", Swaminathan Chelladurai from India is here today, Detroit Rotary has a Washington DC Zoom guest – their newsletter attracted the guest, Margaret and Angie did tech support to clear-up a Zoom camera issue. Formal meeting began at 11:35 AM with the ringing of the cowbell. Attendance was 24 over the course of the meeting. Martha Hnatiuk did the Invocation and spoke of the joy of being in a recent group setting without masks – they were all vaccinated – and energy you feel when you are around others. Rotary Zoom meetings have been wonderful, but Martha is looking forward to in-person meetings again.

Angie Linder took a group photograph for this week's X-Ray and asked everyone to turn on their cameras, put on a good smile and "Cheese". President Colleen introduced our two new guests, Liz Ekedzior from Howe-Peterson Funeral Home and Toni Tront from Detroit Rotary.

Toni Tront is also a member of The League of Women Voters Dearborn/Dearborn Heights and she invited us to an April 22, 2021, Thursday, town hall meeting at 7 PM on Zoom about Proposition 2, political redistricting. Register on their website for the meeting.

Angie Linder gave a reminder Saturday, April 24, 2021 is Telegraph Road Clean-Up, our Adopt-A-Highway project, which connects to the Great Lakes Watershed Clean-Up. Donuts and gloves will be provided to volunteers. Meet at Bryant Middle School at 8:30 AM.

Today's program was "Paperclip Thinking" and was presented by Travis Furlow, a former Dearborn Rotarian, and possibly a future one, too. Travis is an author, host and coach. He spoke about adding value, productivity, balance and creativity back into our lives. Travis shared a PowerPoint presentation with us and had us do a brainstorming exercise – make a list of how many ways you can use a paperclip. One member, during the short exercise, came up with nine uses. A 1968 psychological study found as we age our list for uses of a paperclip decreases. Five year old children come-up with the most uses. Travis leads a weekly Zoom meeting on life skills. Participants range from young to old. He started rethinking his life after going through a dark period. Self-valuation and intentional living helped him through the dark period. He learned to shift his thoughts and be open to new ideas like a five year old. Travis gave a CL Lewis quote: "Can't change beginning, but you can change the ending".

Jim Thorpe, Bob Gleichauf, Cindy Cannon, Dan Houston, Martha Hnatiuk, Kathy Kalil, Lee Hollmann and Margaret Blohm all had questions or comments. Thanks for reminding us to think like a five year old. Your first book embarrassed the Lindbergh Elementary School kids. My career path took me places I did not visualize when I was graduating. Travis suggested by being communicative, leads to possibilities. Thank you for your presentation. Travis was a job recruiter for 25 years. Intentional living makes my life more productive. Having multiple career avenues is great for kids. One of my children is considering the trades, they prefer that to college. One question is "how come we all don't want to be happy". In Travis' weekly Zoom meetings, sometimes a 15 year old is coaching a 60 year old about technology and how to do things. Thank you for your beautiful thoughts. Travis' PowerPoint will be posted in the X-Ray – last slide is impactful. Are you available to speak to some enthusiastic entrepreneurs in training?

President Colleen thanked Travis Furlow for his presentation and he thanked us for having him. Dearborn Rotary meeting closed with members reciting the Four-Way Test in unison.

Respectfully submitted, David Anderson



LWV REDISTRICTING TOWN HALL

April 22, 2021

7 pm



AAs As part of the People Powered Fair Maps Program of the League of Women Voters, local Leagues across Michigan are holding virtual town hall events to educate Michigan residents on the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission's (MICRC) process in drawing new legislative and congressional maps.

The Dearborn-Dearborn Heights LWV will be holding its virtual Town Hall on **Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 7 pm**. In addition to learning about the MICRC, attendees will learn about Communities of Interest (COI) which will be an important criterion when district lines are drawn. A member of the MICRC will join the Town Hall to provide a brief presentation, including how to submit testimony to the Commission.

Partnering with the League on this event are AAUW – Dearborn Branch, ACCESS, and Western Wayne County NAACP.

Attendees are asked to register for the Town Hall at <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUuc--rrDMrHNF6jRxvqapYDCdSBkapjDQI>



You can also register on the LWVDDH website at www.lwvddh.org



Passing of a good friend

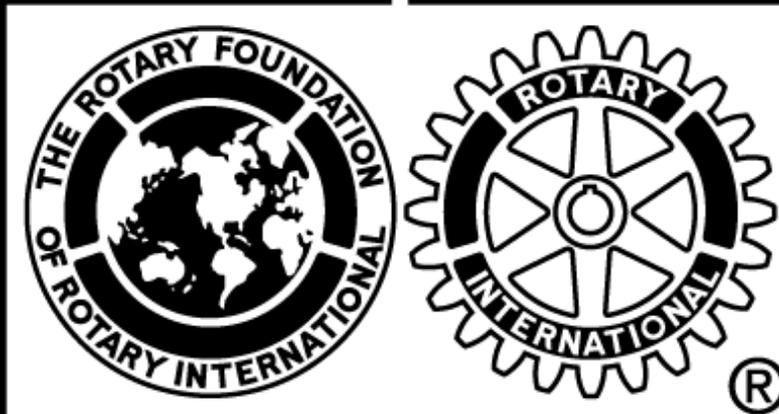


We lost a good friend in Rotary last week with the passing of Howard Andrews from the Fairlane Sunrise Rotary Club. Howard was an engineer with Ford Motor Company, and was also a Charter Member of the Fairlane Sunrise Rotary Club, serving that club in all positions possible. He was also a member of a Group Study Exchange Team for District 6400.

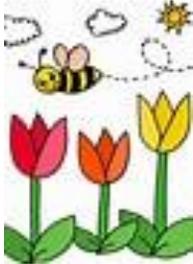
Howard had a passion for Rotary, and served his club and the district in numerous positions, and on numerous projects, especially Starfish Family Services. Howard will be missed by all.

The Rotary Foundation

Dearborn Rotary is at half of their Annual Giving goal for The Rotary Foundation. We have 3 months left to make our goal, so if you have been waiting to contribute, now would be a good time to do that. If you have questions about how to give, please contact [Jim Thorpe](#) and he can walk you through the process.



Adopt-A-Highway April 24th



April 24th will be the Telegraph spring pick-up for Adopt-A-Highway. We will meet at 8:30 at Bryant Middle School. Please view the safety video at www.dearbornrotary.org on the home page under "Links".



Safety First!!!!